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Re: New Application – Docket No. WS-02156A- 15-0003
1st Revised - Cross Connection and Backflow Prevention Tariff
Rio Verde Utilities, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached for Commission approval is Rio Verde Utilities, Inc. revised Cross-Connection Control and Backflow Prevention Tariff. The tariff has been updated at the request of Commission Staff to incorporate Staff's suggested tariff language and update rule number references. The purpose of this tariff is to protect Rio Verde Utilities, Inc. from the possibility of contamination caused by the backflow of contaminants that may be present on the customer's premises.

Sincerely,

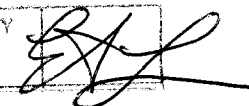

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this tariff is to protect Rio Verde Utilities, Inc. ("Company") water from the possibility of contamination caused by the backflow of contaminants that may be present on the customer's premises by requiring the installation and periodic testing of backflow-prevention assemblies pursuant to the provisions of the Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-2-405.B.6 and A.A.C. R18-4-215.

REQUIREMENTS:

In compliance with the Rules of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ"), specifically A.A.C. R14-2-405.B.6 and A.A.C. R18-4-215 relating to backflow prevention:

1. The Company may require a customer to pay for and to have installed a backflow prevention assembly if A.A.C. R18-4-215.B or C applies.
2. A backflow-prevention assembly required to be installed by the customer under Paragraph 1 of this tariff shall comply with the requirements set forth in A.A.C. R18-4-215.D and E.
3. Subject to the provisions of A.A.C. R14-2-407 and 410, and in accordance with Paragraphs 1 and 7 of this tariff, the Company may terminate service or may deny service to a customer who fails to install a backflow-prevention assembly as required by this tariff.
4. The Company shall give any existing customer who is required to install a backflow prevention assembly written notice of said requirement. If A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is **not** applicable, the customer shall be given thirty (30) days from the time such written notice is received in which to comply with this notice. If the customer can show good cause as to why he cannot install the backflow-prevention assembly within thirty (30) days, the Company or Commission Staff may suspend this requirement for a reasonable period of time.
5. Testing shall be in conformance with the requirements of A.A.C. R18-4-215.F. The Company may require the customer to pay to have the backflow-prevention assembly tested as long as the Company does not require an unreasonable number of tests.

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6. The customer shall provide the Company with records of installation and testing. For each backflow-prevention assembly, these records shall include:
 - a. assembly identification number and description;
 - b. location
 - c. date(s) of test(s);
 - d. description of repairs and recommendations for repairs made by tester; and
 - e. the tester's name and certificate number.
 7. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly does not function properly or fails any test, and an obvious hazard as contemplated under A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. exists, the Company may terminate service immediately and without notice. The backflow prevention assembly shall be repaired or replaced by the customer and retested.
 8. In the event the backflow-prevention assembly does not function properly or fails any test, or in the event that a customer fails to comply with the testing requirement, and A.A.C. R14-2-410.B.1.a. is **not** applicable, the backflow-prevention assembly shall be repaired or replaced within fourteen (14) days of the initial discovery of the deficiency in the assembly or its function. Failure to remedy the deficiency or dysfunction of the assembly, or failure to retest, shall be grounds for termination of water service in accordance with A.A.C. R14-2-410.